

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Minor changes are made to this specification. Claims 2-9 and 12-31 are canceled without prejudice. Claim 1 is amended with respect to the response dated February 11, 2008. Claims 1, 10, and 11 are pending in the application. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

SUPPORT FOR THE CLAIM AMENDMENT

The Advisory Action dated January 16, 2008 asserts that the claim amendment introduces new matter. The claim amendments in the response dated January 9, 2008 and the present response finds support in Applicant's specification at, at least, page 138, line 22 to page 139 line 13; page 140, line 20 to page 141, line 16; page 174, line 22 to page 175, line 13; and page 176, line 20 to page 177, line 16.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (310) 785-4600 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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